

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

REPLACEABLE FIBER OPTIC INTERFACE MODULE

A replaceable module is provided for attachment to a standard fiber optic connector and an opto-electronic device on a printed circuit board. The module is mounted between the internal assembly and the external assembly of a fiber optic connector. The module is easily replaceable without requiring access to the interior side of the mounting panel and without requiring disconnection of the internal assembly from the opto-electronic device on the printed circuit board. Use of the replaceable module when connecting to an external device results in reduced wear on the internal assembly, thereby enabling an increase in the number of mating cycles that the internal assembly is able to perform.